17th Edition Course Flow Guideline

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[Student Enrollment] → [Student Guide/READI  30 Days  1] → [Elective  12 months  2] → [Foundations of Strategy  3]

[National Security & Decision Making  4] → [Global Security  5] → [Joint Military Operations  6] → [Joint Strategic Leadership  7]

[Repeat any failed course (if required)  8] → [Graduated!  9]
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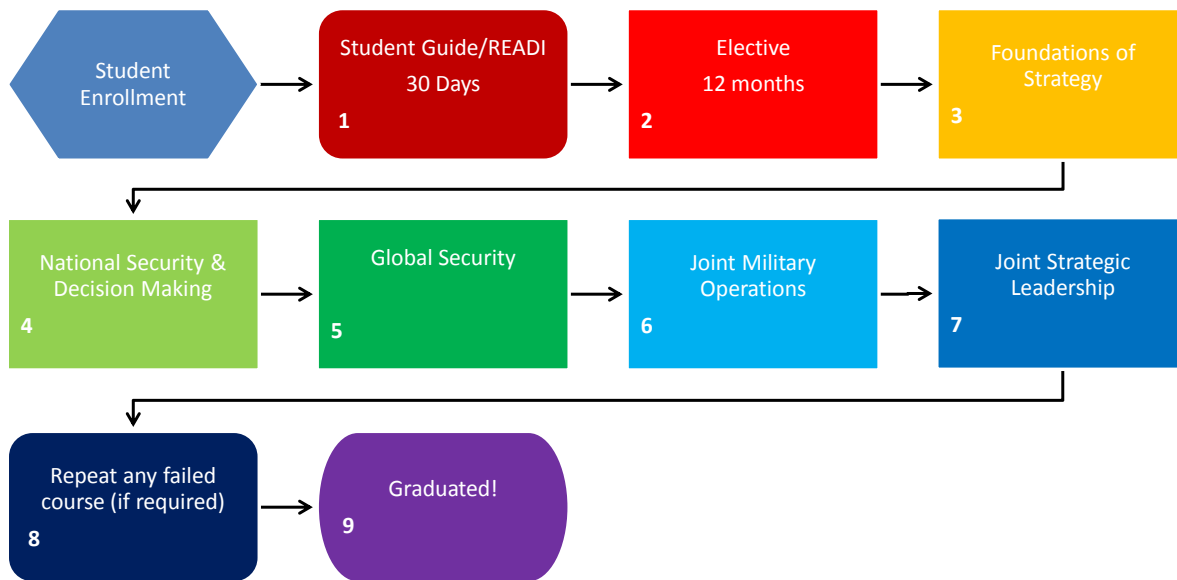
Note: For planning purposes, use 3-4 months for each core course (entire program approximately 20 months). This is roughly 1 lesson per week; however, a more aggressive schedule is possible. Each of the five core courses has 12 lessons, averaging 60-70 pages of reading per lesson. The entire program needs to be completed in 36 months (max).

1 – After enrolling, you must certify within 30 days that you have read and understand the student guide. Failure to do so will result in administrative elimination. If you enrolled after 2 Sep 09 (Edition 17.1), you will also need to complete the Readiness for Education at a Distance Indicator (READI) assessment.

2 – After completing the student guide, you will be enrolled in the elective. You may select an elective based on the choices listed under electives in your course content in AUSIS. Your choices include a language elective option through Rosetta Stone. The language elective needs to be completed in 4 or 6 months as described in the Student Handbook. Books/readings are not mailed for the electives. For AUSIS electives, if you fail the closed-book, short answer exam twice, you must choose another elective. You will be automatically disenrolled from the program if you do not complete an elective within 12 months. Exam: Short answer

3 – When enrolled, you will have online access via AUSIS to the Foundations of Strategy (FS) course and the books will be mailed to you. If you fail the exam twice, you have the option of continuing in AWC by requesting enrollment in National Security & Decision Making (NSDM). See block 8 for course failed status. Exam: Case study essay

4 – When enrolled, you will have online access via AUSIS to the NSDM course and the books will be mailed to you. If you fail the exam twice, you have the option of continuing in AWC by requesting enrollment in Global Security (GS). See block 8 for course failed status. Exam: Op-Ed analysis essay

5 – When enrolled, you will have online access via AUSIS to the GS course and the books will be mailed to you. If you fail the exam twice, you have the option of continuing in AWC by requesting enrollment in Joint Military Operations (JMO). See block 8 for course failed status. Exam: Compare and contrast two regions essay

6 – When enrolled, you will have online access via AUSIS to the JMO course and the books will be mailed to you. If you fail the exam twice, you have the option of continuing in AWC by requesting enrollment in Joint Strategic Leadership (JSL). See block 8 for course failed status. Exam: Planning and mission analysis essay

7 – When enrolled, you will have online access via AUSIS to the JSL course and the books will be mailed to you. You must submit a Blue Dart and a Personal Development Plan and pass the AWC Culture Simulation to complete JSL. If you enrolled after 2 Sep 09 (Edition 17.1), the Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) is required pre- and post-JSL. Deliverables: Blue Dart, Personal Development Plan and Culture Simulation

8 – Failing the core course exam twice results in Course Failed status in your record. You will have a requirement to repeat any failed course(s). You have the option to continue in the program but you must complete all other courses in sequence before attempting a repeat. If you fail two courses, you must consult with your instructor. Three failed courses require input from the Dean and your supervisor. Remember the program must be completed within 36 months.

9 – After you complete all curriculum/program requirements, we will complete your graduation processing and your diploma will be mailed to you. Congratulations on completing Air War College!

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